Contracts without tenders by Delhi Development Authority

199. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:
SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have been cases where the Engineering wing of Delhi Development Authority had awarded contracts without inviting tenders during the last two years;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof stating the number of such contracts awarded, the amount involved in each of the contracts; the party to whom the contracts were awarded alongwith the reasons for awarding the contracts without inviting tenders; and

(c) the outcome of the inquiry, conducted by the Government into such malpractices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Survey of D.D.A. Flats

200. DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether DDA have carried out any extensive survey of the flats that are in the danger of caving in due to under-ground cavities in the various DDA colonies;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken|proposed to be taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The DDA has requested the Central Building Research Institute Roorkee to conduct GEO-Radar survey to determine any cavities, soft starata|tunnel underneath the ground in Pocket IV Sector C Vasant Kunj. The results of investigation taken up by CBRI Roorkee are likely to be available by the end of December, 1991. On receipt of final report of the investigation strengthening of the structures including foundation of the effected blocks shall be undertaken. Effective remedial measures shall also be taken if the investigation reveals similar weak starata 'tunnel|cavity in the zone of other houses. These strengthening measures shall be taken in consultation with experts in the field and I.I.T. Delhi.

New Housing Policy

201. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal for evolving a new-housing policy;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and the main objectives laid down for the purpose; and

(c) by when the same is likely to be formulated and adopted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Draft National Housing Policy was placed before both the Houses of Parliament in May, 1988. The Government has taken up the revision of the draft NHP in the light of the views expressed by M.Ps., State Governments and different sections of the public. The revised draft NHP is expected to be placed before both the Houses of Parliament as soon as it is ready.